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CALL FROM THE BED OF HONOR OF STATE CONVENTION.

HEADQUARTERS REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE, Philadelphia, April 13, 1886.

The Republican State Convention will be held in the City of Harrisburg on the first Wednesday of June the 16th next at noon, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Secretary of Internal Affairs and Congressman at Large, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

The apportionment of Representatives to the several districts entitles the following number of delegates to the Convention, and the Committee has assumed the same basis of representation as that of the Republican State Convention of 1882, and the call of the Republican State Committee of that year:

Section 1. Be it resolved, That the Republican electors of the several districts of this Commonwealth shall meet in their respective districts on the second day of June, 1886, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent each district in the State Convention to be held in Harrisburg on Wednesday, June 16, 1886, for the nomination of a State ticket to be supported by the Republicans of the State in November next.

J. ROGERS, Chairman, Co. Com.
F. H. KINSMOOR, Secretaries.
C. B. RICHMOND,

GEORGE H. IMES is well known colored citizen of Dauphin county is a candidate for the republican nomination for Lieutenant Governor.

FIFTY California wool growers write us to guess that if wool is placed on the free list it will completely destroy their industry in this country. The California people do not seem to understand that that is precisely what the tariff tinkers are aiming at.

ROSCOE JARVIS, of the New York Aldermanic gang has served board of Street Sprinkling for 9 years and 10 months. His occupation during that time will be washing dirty linen. His colleagues in the aldermanic board are "laughing for relief" which they will receive from Judge Barr in the form of

THE Long expected petition to relieve the late King Alfonso of Spain of his born evil proves to be exactly the opposite of a prune. There is no evil about Spain and two little princesses are out of joint. Queen Christina has not sent her congratulations to the other courts on such occasion, but we infer this note is just the same. *Buffalo Express*

THE republicans of Atlanta county have nominated for Governor Foraker, for Secretary of State Stewart for Secretary of Internal Affairs Grimeson for Auditor General and Hazzard for Congressman at large. The present outlook indicates that their hardest wishes will be gratified in so far as two of the candidates named are concerned.

STATE SENATOR KEPNER has withdrawn from the contest for the nomination of Schuylkill county for the secretary of internal affairs nomination leaving Charles Heber Clark as that county is concerned to Col Sam Losch. It now remains to be seen how popular the blonde colonel is throughout the State. One thing is certain it must go hard if big he-ard men could not be placed at the head of one of the state departments.

THE sub committee appointed by the State committee to revise the rules of the republican party in reference to representation in the State conventions, met in Altoona this week. It is to be hoped that the committee will formulate some plan which will do away with the present ridiculous system of basing representation on the number of representatives a county happens to have in the legislature.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR HOADLY of Ohio, will hold nothing to his democratic popularity by his frank declaration that the meeting of four Franklin city elected democratic senators from Hamilton county and the meeting of republicans in their place was constitutional. He will, however, command his record respect for his probity as a lawyer and his dignity as a gentleman—and that to a man of his character and independence, is probably more valuable than the applause of partisan adventurers and corruptionists.—*Philadelphia Press*.

THE "bull and bear" factions of the Lancaster Co republicans had a battle contest for supremacy last Saturday, the fight centering on candidates for senator in the northern district of the county and district attorney. Senator Stehman made the rattle for the senatorial nomination, and by throwing out the vote of the township of Warwick Maj Bernagehl captures the district attorneyship. Some of these days the "bull" will gore the life out of the "hog" and the democrats will take the offices in that great republican stronghold.

MR. R. M. THOMAS the active editor of the *Farmers' Friend* and secretary of the state grange, has been suggested in various quarters as a candidate for lieutenant governor. He has hosts of friends throughout the state and would be both a strong nominee and an excellent officer. But he does not like to entertain the suggestion. He is deeply absorbed in his present useful work, and would not accept any political preferment. With his wide connections and place of influence he exercises more power than any political position would give him.—*Press*.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

[From our regular correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, May 21.—It is pretty well understood that the present session of congress will end without any thing further being done than the passage of appropriation bills. If the democratic house intended to do any thing, said a representative from Maine, we would be here before the summer but it is easy to see that they will do nothing. They will talk and that is pass the appropriation bills and adjourn.

The republicans in congress have given the democrats a chance to make a good record this session. They have not clogged legislation by factious opposition, as the democrats have always done when they were in the minority. They have not tried to obstruct the session which the democrats are making to hang on and, in order that they may get home and do some good work for the masses in the congression ial canvass. The majority in the forty-ninth congress is of course liable to for this do nothing policy of the present session but the representative from Maine, one of the leaders on the republican side, throws the mantle of charity over it, since most members in this session have no constituents to please, the average representation of the people, that congress is always up to the people, and that when the people grow better and do better by congress, congress will improve in the same proportion.

Congressmen, like horse racers and it was impossible for either branch of congress to vote much during the past week, because much of the time, their quorums were at the Washington race track, located about two miles north of the city. Senators, representatives, cabinet officers and all other high officials were there. Nobody at Washington is too busy to attend and laws are too sacred to be neglected in order to win the result of a race. Some of the most reckless betting is done by Senators Blackburn and Beck of Kentucky for instance. In this exceedingly liberal minded union they come to back their judgment on horse race. The men from the south are found have the largest odds almost bets when the western men are more careful. Most of the money making is by betting bookmakers and every May during the race season enough money is let by them to pay a good many of the expenses.

Under the new bankruptcy reform administration one of the most glaring cases of nepotism that has ever been known to exist in the government departments has just been discovered. A family of six persons only one of whom is performing any subordinate service, is now comfortably established in office on the here before mentioned disturbed patriot office. I have understood this private pension list was recently augmented and have otherwise their pensions with a view to the provisions of the civil service law and it is said by the conservators of people in high authority. These favored people have not a thousand miles to run to their daughter's church and are not even called upon for performance the simplest duties of a skilled laborer and several of them are nearly if not entirely blind. They are doubtless objects for public charity but the executive departments here in Washington are not asylums and that such a state of affairs can be in the face of existing laws and with the cry of reform ringing clear over the country, seems almost incredible.

The senate has been discussing pensions. Senator McPherson is determined from New Jersey, wants the senate pension bill recommitted in order to obtain the same end to be lost by it. Senator Dolph said the same would be true to the extent of two millions a year. But that it was simply a question of paying soldiers. It was enough to be proud who they were. Large or small.

Senator Voorhees came within a vote of the bill before the senate in favor of distributing money among the people. The dollar that did good was the silver dollar, while that was silver or other was. He thought the reason that fraud has gone on so long was that large millionaires are getting it. It never came to the poor. Where they were not to the pensioners alone but circulated it among the whole country.

Senator Dillon, elevated parties on the pension roll will not be left where they are this notable care of the men who were in the notable care of the men who were in the notable care of the men who were in the

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Smethport Pa., May 28, 1886.

LOCAL AND HUMOROUS.

...ne of the largest courts known for ...

...ur cases of small pox are reported ...

...whom the essence monopolist, was in ... this week.

...ort Allegany has a big railroad cir... ...ne 10 of June.

...Hurlburt & Hunting's show will ex... ...exhibition at Bradford.

...e children of the Orphans Home at... ...o Baptist Sunday school.

...ur gas mond was among the ...e arrivals in town this week.

...A street Lamp has been put up on the ...t of Main and Franklin streets.

...Early flowers now adorn the base of ... soldiers' and Sailors' Monument.

...They have already begun to deliver ...w crop of hemlock bark in this sec...

...Northern miners are now lodging at Sheriff Ramsdell's hospitable roof.

...It is indeed a mystery how our hard-... ...ver takes care of the crowds this ...

...The wool in three cities were to-day ...ter condition than at the present ...

...For the first time in some time the ... rink was open to the public on ... night.

...Rogers Uncle Tom's Cabin band fur... ...some very fine music on our ... Tuesday last.

...Mr. Nat Johns was compelled to em... ...clerks of two this week to wait on ... crowd.

...The Undersigned reports fire departments will ... ...ment and take part in the unveiling ... on June 2d.

...E. Sanders of Derrick City was ... ...ceived a patent for a fence ... week granted to the patent office at Washington.

...Mr. Ellis, who lives in Owens this ... ...Emporium Valley, is building a ... commodious residence on the ... old home.

...The prohibitionists of Potter county ... ...held their convention for June 10 ... the purpose of nominating a full ticket ... the fall campaign.

...The earnings of the Buffalo, New ... & Pittsburgh road for the first week in ... were $27,100, an increase of $2,400 ... same period of last year.

...H. Moore, who lives down the ... road two or three miles, has ... extensive hop yard. And by the ... Mr Moore has one of the finest ... to be found anywhere.

...The supreme court has decided that ... ...ssessors unlawfully striking names ... electors is a part of the election ... of the commonwealth and punish... ...other election frauds.

...When Dan Bangs and John Gives ... ...ppear in town it is a sure sign the ... ...coming. Smethport was honored with the ... presence of one of these celestial collar ... on Monday last.

...Straw hat and overcoats do not make a ... good combination, but they could ... ...ound in profusion this week on our ... ...It looked a good deal like blend... ...winter and summer in one.

...Boston parties have established an ... ...ry at Coudersport for the purpose of ... ...hemlock bark. This will un... ...ubtedly have a tendency to raise the ... of that commodity in that section.

...By referring to our marriage column ... will be seen that at last the ladies have ... ...ound and that New York State is ... ...ecording her marriageable complex over the ... ...ounding of the line to have the knot ... tied.

...P. Westbrook, proprietor of the ... Business College, according to ... *Democrat*, has been in Olean trying ... ...solicit encouragement from the ... ...ence that will go to warrant him in ... ...ing the college from the former to the ... place.

...The Extract Company have erected ... ...ommodious bark shed at the foundation ... the tannery garage switch in East ... Street. This would indicate that the ... ...ard" be used quite extensively this ... ...ake a means of conveying bark to ... ...ry.

...The flag stone for the new court ... ...ommence to be put in to-day. ... ...Dan from the Dudley quarry ... ...ses, and show conclusively ... ...ke or stone can produce the ... ...ng purposes to be.

...You can see the old landmarks in this ... ...y on the side of the hill on the ... ...ide of the depositing before the Smith ... ...of improvements. The old barn ... ...on the corner at the lower end of ... ...Street, that looks as if it was one of ... ...oneers of the seventeenth century, ...n demolished.

...An Italian scissors grinder together ... ...is machine, got spilled out of it ... ...on Monday last in front of the ... ...Central. The Italian went down ... ...between the horses, but the ... ...took compassion on the poor na... ...and after some effort not of very close ... ...ation and uniformed but thoroughly ... ...ed him on.

...Thursday afternoon Mr. R. Dennis ... ...coordinated the finest flagstones ... ...whole, ever sent from this place. ... ...ation was underexpert, and the ... ...ion will be used are on the ... ...what it will be used for. The ... ...ction of Hon. A. G. Olmsted, A. E. ... ...and W. S. Jones. The stones are ... ...feet in length and from four to ... ...wide, averaging about four inches ... ...ickness. These uniform stones are ... ...ecessity of a high price, but those en... ...especially gentlemen would take no others ...for.

...The public school law now in force in ... ...es the provision that the use of profane ... ...obscene language by any pupil shall ... ...sufficient good cause for expulsion from ... ...school, also that any pupil who shall cut, ...ace or otherwise injure school houses, ...ures or outbuildings thereof, is liable to ... ...pension and punishment, and the pa... ...of such pupils shall be liable to dam... ...for the amount of the injury, on com... ...plaint of the teacher, the amount to be de... ...mined by the directors, and collected ... through the courts.

...On the 8th inst., the committee ap... ...pointed by County Superintendent M. O. ... ...mpbell, to arrange a graduating course ... ...common schools in this county held ... ...r first meeting in this place, which ... well attended. There were fifty-six ... ...plicants for diplomas of which number ... ...ty four passed a successful examina... ...Ten failed to send in a complete ... ...t papers. These examinations are ... ...d being productive of a vast ... ...ount of good to the educational inter... ...of the county.

...There is no accounting for tastes. If ... ...Booth or a Keene should come to ... ...ort and present some standard ... ...ma that would have a tendency to im... ...ove the public they would undoubtedly ... ...ve empty seats. But let a one-horse, ...-legged one and wheezy Uncle ... ...Tom's Cabin troupe come along and their ... ...ce is only limited by the seating ... ...city of the hall or tent. This need to ... ...be critical and touching pun. But ... ...ot one during the past four or ... ...ve years it has deteriorated into a ... ...farce. But it still takes amazingly ...

...Both Odd Fellows of Smethport do not ... ...ze the fact that they are living ... ...few miles or we might say an... ...e of the most beautiful points ... ...Allegany Mountains. By travel... ...the Rocky Mountains, the tourist ... ...hardly obtain a grander view than ... ...be seen from the summit of Prospect ... ...A workbench beneath us, we see the ... ...razing in the long shadows of the ... ...ed hemlock, as the sun gradually ... ...s behind the farthest, blue line of ... ...ains, perhaps twenty miles away. ... ...Smethport can be distinctly seen nestled ... ...ly in the valley far below. This ... ...ene, although different in ... ...ter of the Twin Lakes or the dear... ...the foods of the Rocky Mountains, ...would be a magnificent place to es... ...a summer resort, provided it was ... ...of access.

—Remember that Wednesday next is unveiling day.

—Don't forget the band boys' ball at the rink on Wednesday evening next.

—It was good for sore eyes to see Judge Williams again presiding over the courts of this county.

—M. J. Gallup, the merchant prince of Mt. Jewett, is very much pleased with his new business location. We hope he has struck it rich.

—We are indebted to Strobhmeyer's Forest Band, for a complimentary to the band tournament, which comes off at Port Allegany on Wednesday, June 9th. We hope to be there.

—Pat Bartholomew pastoller was thrown up some time ago. We mention this fact again because some people persist in sending mail to that office which should go to Kinzua, Warren county.

—A lady even made things warm for a few minutes in the court house hall on Monday last. Many veteran singers half stood on end as the old plantation songs reverberated through the halls.

—The Washington field starts off like Thom Cook or Bullion of former days, and its three-thousand barrel gushers will probably last no longer. The three hundred barrel Hertlein is the one that counts in the long run.

—Manager Kittredge is exceedingly fortunate in being able to present to Smethport audiences two first-class companies in one week. The Bat Boy—and the Original New Orleans Minstrels are fully up to the standard and will be liberally patronized by our amusement loving people.

—Hurlburt & Hunting's tent was well filled at both exhibitions Wednesday. These gentlemen evidently strive to merit their patronage and their efforts have gained the public confidence to an eminent degree. They are always sure of receiving a hearty welcome at Smethport.

—Delegates from Post 347 will attend Decoration services at Farmers' Valley and Norwich. Major Jno. E. Parkes and Comrade W. H. Curtis will deliver addresses at Farmers' Valley, and Rev. E. Rodgers and Comrade McQuade and H. Gulp and Comrade Norwich. The services at both cemeteries will be held on Saturday morning.

—Under the direction of Junior Vice Commander Cooper with comrade Geo. Griffith as chief marshal, the Kane branch of McKean Post 347, will decorate the graves of deceased soldiers at Kane on Saturday of this week. The programme of exercises would indicate that the occasion will be one of more than ordinary interest.

—It will be seen by reference to the programme of unveiling services published elsewhere that Capt. E. R. Mayo, of the Eldred Post, will officiate as chaplain on that occasion. Col. Brady of Bradford, who accepted the position some weeks ago, notified the committee that very much to his regret, he will be unable to be present on that occasion.

—At Masonic Temple Gorton's Original New Orleans Minstrels appeared to packed house last night. This organization contains among its members some of the best minstrel talent in the country. The songs, sayings and specialty acts are inimitably given, and the jokes possess the merit of a considerable degree of freshness. The minstrels will continue as the attraction through the week.—*Baltimore Daily News.*

—Coming in all their glory Gorton's Original New Orleans Minstrels and Gold Band will make their appearance in Smethport on Wednesday, June 2, and give one of their unrivaled exhibitions at the Opera House on that evening. As a caterer to the public taste Gorton is too well and favorably known to need a word of commendation from us. By word of mouth this is one of the very best minstrel companies on the road, and for that reason we will be greeted with a crowded house next Wednesday.

—On Tuesday evening next "The Red Box" will make his second appearance before a Smethport audience at the Opera House. This combination gave such universal satisfaction on its first appearance in this place that it will have no difficulty in filling every seat in the Opera House next Tuesday evening. As this is one of the finest plays on the American stage, it will be well for you to secure your seats for this entertainment early.

—Dave Shanahan says the Emporium *Democrat* is the only newspaper in existence which "gives away a column of reading matter in connection with the unveiling exercises." Mr. Brown is a good deal out of the way. Shanahan will probably find out before long that the Miner office is not run on that principle. Dave should not be too hasty in his conclusions.

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DECORATION DAY, 1886.

BY H. E.

What means the roll of the muffled drum,
The wailing notes of the clarion shrill,
The measured tramp of the feet that come
To the grass-grown streets of the church-yard still,
What mounds are these that the garlands twine
With the perfumed wealth of the gift of May,
And whose are these by the waving pine
In the barren soul of the bleakness clay.

Hark! the sullen boom of the signal gun,
The waning shriek of the leaping shell,
That woke the echoes of a spy one
And roused the north with an alarm bell.
When the starry folds of the flag were rent
By the serpent's tooth that traitors nest,
And the handling glow of a fiery zeal
In the hour of gloom for the nation's weal,
Illumined morn of the baleful night
To put upon its partisan banquet's delight.

I see the priest from his pulpit come
The farmer speed from his toilsome plow,
At the swift alarm of rattling drum
To direct their lives in the patriot vow,
And the walking reign with deafening cheers
From the fervent depths of hearts that bleed,
As the measuring tread of the volunteers
In millions march as the country's need.
I feel the strength of the gray-beard's grip
As the gasp-post points to the bloody field,
And the parting kiss of the maiden's lip
As the pledges warm of her love are sealed.

Once more I live in the doubtful years
When the Union's fate in the balance hung,
And the lights and shades of hopes and fears
O'er the anxious hearts of the north were flung
Till the smoke-dark of rebellion ceased,
In the brightening dawn of a cloudless peace,
And the emblem floats in the noontide rays
In a tranquil sky o'er the field of Mars.

Hark! the listeners are rent by greeting cheers
As the home-coming tramp of our volunteers,
As the sunbeams glint on the shipping steel
And the war-worn flanks of their cadenced wheel
O'er the swaying ripple of the boats in line
Was a glorious scene at the grand review,
Now a fancy waft of the morning air
The assembly-note of a nearer life,
The church-yards teem with a phantom life,
Where the breadth of a shadowy banner waves
The sleepers come from a million graves,
And in airy form with a ghostly treble
The serried ranks of the patriot dead.

I see the line of their spectral shapes
And the Union hue of their fluttering capes,
Each bony hand with a finger points
To the wounded breast or the riven joints,
Where the bullet sped or the bursting shell
With its iron mission where the bravest fell.
Of the mute appeals of these hollow cheeks
But a trumpet voice in air waves speaks
To the heart that waits a rare reply
On yonder mound with its deep reliefs lie:
While mingle of flowers on the grave is seen
That reads the record to the evergreen.

Then pile the sod where the patriot sleeps
In the flowery wealth of a blossoming land,
With a tender heart for the soul that weeps
O'er the fallen brave of the southern land:
Perfumance fondly to that balmy clime
The maid shall deck with the fragrant thyme,
The maiden's grave of a form at rest
With the Union ivy on its mouldering breast.

In a vision struggle of the midnight hour
Methought I stood by the judgment throne;
As the myriads came to their sovereign Lord
For the final doom of a just reward,
The minor record of the fearful strings
For the larger record with its boldest wings
And a sorrow fraught over the heavenly tribe
As one by one was called by the angel scribe,
Upon the scroll of unsinking fame
Of a spirit's knight on the shining street,
As he trod the pavement of gold alone
To the dazzling front of the great white throne:
Where the wavy plume of his helmet streamed
On which the name of an Edgewords gleamed,
And an anthem rung as he proudly stood
For the soul that died for his country's good.

Now a wave was heard through mansion's delight,
A crown for the brow of the loyal knight,"
Yet a single star on the fold of our pale
Are the hallowed gift of the boys grad
Return, O knight, for thy brother waits
The help to bear at the pearly gates,
To the warrior garment and an electric streak
To the entrance gates of that blest citadel,
Once more the clash of the sparrel at feet
On the golden pave of the kingdom's street
As the warrior leads to the dazzling band
A serving knight's present the countless grand.
The song is closed to a shout of joy
Then at last among such sweet harmony,
The first priest in his armor came
The other followed close with a look of shame;
And the harp of the former to joy supreme
As the shocked defiance on the other's cheek
Of a proud soul to the rebuke severe
Of a form of contempt of judgment seat

McKEAN COUNTY'S SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' MONUMENT.

PROGRAMME OF EXERCISES

FOR UNVEILING SAME

The Committee of Arrangements take pleasure in announcing the following general programme for the day:

At Sunrise—A Salute of thirty-eight guns.

9:30 A. M.—A brilliant and imposing procession of The Grand Army of the Republic in charge of the Commander of the Department of Pennsylvania, accompanied by his staff, Resident and Invited Military and Civic bodies, with invited guests in Carriages, will march from the Court House to Rose Hill Cemetery, where the graves of Soldiers will be decorated under supervision of McKean Post No. 347, G. A. R. Gen. J. P. S. Gobin, Department Commander and Adjutant General Thos. J. Stewart of the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., will deliver the addresses of the Decoration services.

2:00 P. M.—Instrumental Music at the Monument.

2:30 P. M.—The prominent event of the day will be the ceremony of unveiling the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument on the public square, where the following programme of exercises will be observed:

Music.—Instrumental.
Prayer.—By Rev. F. H. Gates.
Music.—Vocal.
Addresses.—By Gen. James A. Beaver and Hon. M. S. Elliott.
Music.—Instrumental.
Oration.—By Maj. A. Wilson Norris, of Philadelphia.
Music.—Vocal.

UNVEILING CEREMONIES.

Music.—Instrumental.
Dedication.—By the Grand Army of the Republic.
Presentation.—By Hon. L. Emery, Jr., President of the Day.
Benediction.—By Rev. Wm. Bradley.
Music.—Instrumental.

OFFICERS OF THE DAY.

Vice Presidents.—Hons. A. G. Olmsted, Henry Hamlin and P. M. Fullmer, Bradford—Hon. P. M. Shannon, Col. J. J. Carter, Hon. James Brader, P. T. Kennedy, Eugene Mullin, Capt. J. T. Jones, Hon. R. B. Stone, C. C. Melvin, Hon. C. H. Foster, C. B. Whitehead, Capt. W. B. Chapman, Maj. J. W. Shaw, Bradford Township—E. F. Clark, Lorenzo Ackley, Foster—S. R. McElhenny, J. G. Sraanahan, Layfayette—Mark Hardie, Abram Anderson, Corydon—Philip Corbin, W. I. Bartholomew, Hamlin—W. W. Brewer, A. F. Gallup, Wetmore—E. S. Kane, C. V. Gillis, J. T. Griffith, Sergeant—Lawrence Kayer, J. R. Townsend, Norwich—C. E. Burdick, A. F. Bemel, Norwich—C. E. Burdick, A. F. Brewer, Liberty—J. S. Moore, C. L. Bolton, Port Allegany—Fitz Henry Nichols, M. J. Hadley, Ceres—Charles Beck, O. F. Coon, Eldred Township—Wm. Bunker, D. J. Keyes, Eldred Borough—P. R. Cotter, Capt. E. E. Mayo, Hon. A. T. Barden, A. E. Rowley, Otto —J. E. Baldwin, W. A. Prentiss, Duke Center—F. W. Sprague, W. B. Graves, Keating—J. H. McQuade, M. M. Steele, Capt. A. H. Coey, J. A. McKean, Smethport—Hon. B. D. Hamlin, Hon. David Sterrett, Hon. Wm. S. Brownell, Hon. R. H. Rose, The Press—Hon. W. F. Jordan, H. F. Barbour, P. H. Linderman, Clark Wilson, A. D. Goodell, A. J. Hughes, L. Rogers, Thos. J. Malone.

Master of Ceremonies.—C. S. King.
Marshal.—E. F. Wright.
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Committee on Music.—Dr. H. L. McCoy.

Committee on Transportation.—C. S. King.

Floral Committee.—Mrs. D. C. Young, Mrs. B. F. Wright, Mrs. T. A. Morrison.

Decoration Committee.—A. H. Peirce, F. C. Sartwell.

Reception Committee.—M. L. Armstrong, Chairman, T. F. Redmond, G. M. Smith, Wm. H. Grambine, Warley Gifford.

R. R. Rates.—B., N. Y. & P. R. R., from Olean, Emporium and intermediate stations, and on the Narrow Guage branches, tickets will be sold at the several stations at half the regular rates, good to return on June 3d.

B., B. & K. R. R.—From Bradford and Rew, $1.60; Duke Centre and Rixford and return 75 cts.; Eldred and return, 46 cts., all other stations at half regular rates, good to return June 2d.

Dedication Exercises.

The following named comrades of the G. A. R. have been designated for the several positions in the dedicatory exercises attending the unveiling of the soldiers' monument on the 2d of June.

President of the Day—Hon. Lewis Emery, Jr., who will present the monument to the several posts of the county.

Acting Commander to receive the same—Comrade J. L. Wallace of Bradford Post No. 141 of Bradford city.

Senior Vice Commander—Comrade J. A. Merrill of John M. Pelton Post No. 830 of Rew City.

Junior Vice Commander—Comrade Silas Horton of Henry Metcalf Post No. 831 of Port Allegany.

Chaplain—Capt. E. R. Mayo, of J. R. Jones Post No. 156, of Eldred.

The following named comrades of McKean Post No. 347, at Smethport, will act in the positions named:

Officer of the Day—Comrade A. H. Peirce.

Officer of the Guard—Comrade Silas G. Bush.

Adjutant—Comrade H. L. Burlingame.

DECORATION EXERCISES.

The committee appointed by Post 347 for that purpose have prepared the following programme of exercises for decoration services to be held at Rose Hill Cemetery on June 2d, 1886.

Marshal—Comrade B. F. Wright.

The column will form on Main street preparatory to marching to the cemetery at 9½ a. m. Upon reaching the cemetery the exercises will proceed as follows:

Dirge by the Smethport Cornet Band.
Address by Post Commander.
Reading of general orders by Adjutant.
Vocal music by a Male Quartet.
Prayer by the Chaplain.
Music by the Band.
Addresses by Department Commander Gen. J. P. S. Gobin and Assistant Adjutant General Thos. J. Stewart.
Vocal music by the Quartet.
Strewing of flowers by three designated comrades, with recitations and responses, assisted by the Chaplain.
General strewing of flowers participated in by all—Comrades, Sunday School Children and Citizens—accompanied by a dirge by the Band.
General Assembly will be sounded, and all Comrades and Visiting Organizations will form and march to the Court House where the Unveiling Ceremonies will take place.

The Woman's Relief Corps will furnish dinners at the Rink on Unveiling Day for 25 cents. They will also have a lunch counter where sandwiches, coffee, etc., can be had at low rates.

The Committee on Invitations have already received responses from sixteen civic and military organizations from this and adjoining counties who will take part in the unveiling ceremonies.

Comrade Wright requests all those having monument subscription lists in their hands, to report to him the result of their work as early Wednesday morning as possible.

The committee of arrangements earnestly request that every house in town be decorated with the stars and stripes and other emblems of patriotism on unveiling day, and this request should be heeded by all.

Visiting Organizations.

The following organizations have accepted the invitation of the committee, of which Sheridan Gorton, Esq., is chairman, and will be present to participate in the decoration and unveiling ceremonies on June 2d:

Bradford.—Mayor and Councils, Knights Templar and Firemen's Association, Tent K. O. T. M.
Coudersport.—Burgess and Council, A. J. Jones Post G. A. R. Hook and Ladder Co. Meeting Horse Co.
Emporium.—Burgess and Council, Post 70 G. A. R.
Corydon.—McKean Legion A. O. U. W. S. K.
Clermont.—I. O. O. F. Lodge.
Kendall.—A. O. U. W. Lodge, Wesmgton Legion A. O. U. W. S. K.
Port Allegany.—Henry Metcalf Post G. A. R. Silver Brass Co.
Eldred.—J. E. Jones Post G. A. R. Hook and Ladder Co. Sartwell Hose Co.
Knapp Creek.—Legion A. O. U. W. S. K.
Sharon Centre.—C. H. Barnes Post, G. A. R.
Smethport.—Tent K. O. T. M. Smethport Hose Co. Richmond Hose Co. Lodge I. O. O. F. A. O. U. W. S. K.

Bradford Post No. 141 G. A. R. will be present, having accepted the invitation of Post Commander R. A. Dempsey, president of the monumental association.

The following bands, besides several drum corps, will participate in the parade:

L. Emery, Jr., Band, of Bradford.
Eldred Band, of Eldred.
Coudersport Band, of Coudersport.
Port Allegany Band, of Port Allegany.
Smethport Band, of Smethport.

Railroad Rates on Unveiling Day.

C. S. King, Esq., chairman of the committee on transportation, announces the following schedule of railroad rates to and from Smethport, on the 2d of June, the day fixed for decoration services in Rose Hill Cemetery, and for unveiling the Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument:

B. B. & K. R. R. (special train.)—Leaves Bolivar 8:20 a. m., Little Genesee 8:29, Ceres 8:35, Rollis Mills 7:09, Eldred 7:25, Duke Centre 7:42, Rixford 7:47, Rew City 8:11, Kinzua Junction 8:20, Aiken 8:28, Davis 8:36, Simpson 8:44, Ormsby 8:55, arrive at Smethport 9:20 a. m.

B., N. Y. & P. R. R., (special running south)—Leave Knapp's Creek 7:00 a. m. (O. B. & W.) Four Mile 7:10 (O. B. & W.) Olean 7:50, Portville 8:02, Rollis Mills 8:12, Eldred 8:30, Larrabee 8:40, arrive Smethport 9:15 a. m. (Special running north.)—Leave Emporium 6:45 a. m., Shippen 6:55, Keating 7:15, Liberty 7:25, Port Allegany 7:45, Turtle Point 7:50, Larrabee 8:00, Fristoe 8:12, Farmer's Valley 8:25, arrive Smethport 8:35 a. m.

K. & E. R. R.—Leave Bradford, 7:10 a. m., Dallas City 7:35, Summit 7:50, Rixford 8:05, Duke Center 8:12, arrive Eldred 8:30 a. m., connecting with Olean special.

C. P. & E. R., (special running west.)—Leave Coudersport 6:45 a. m., fare round trip, $1.20; Hammond 6:55, $1.20; Nelson 6:53, $1.20; Knowlton's 7:03, $1.10; Roulette 7:10, $1.10; Pomeroy Bridge 7:15, $1.10; Burtville 7:23, $1.00; arrive Port Allegany 7:45 a. m.

The train from Coudersport will connect at Port Allegany with the B., N. Y. & P. train from Emporium.

The fare on all roads will be one-half the usual rates, excepting from the following stations on the B. B. & K. R. R.: Bradford and return $1.00; Duke Centre and Rixford and return 75c.; Eldred and return 60c. All railroad tickets will be good to return on June 3d.

Floral Committee.

The following persons have been designated by the W. R. C. to act as a Floral committee on Decoration Day:

Mrs. Mollie Graham, Chairman.
Misses Edith Shoemaker, Rena Richmond, Flora Burlingame, Lena Wright, Ethel Armstrong, Maie Sartwell, Mollie King, Pauline Sartwell, Edna Keenan, Mary Waller, Sadie Knapp, Bertie Choate, Ida Thanna, May Mason, Neva Eaton, Amanda Sauie, Messrs. George Morrison, Ezra Williams, Fred Gallup, Clayton Backus, George Eastman, Carlton Sprague and Tony Eannon.

Many an involved estate has been saved after the death of its owner by the aid of the money obtained from his life insurance policy. A man of formerly large resources in Chicago, found in his later years that all his possessions were hung to the balance of a prolonged lawsuit. Worn out at last with the seemingly hopeless contest, he gave it up, sickened, and died. But his widow, by prompt use of the life insurance money, revived the legal fight and recently obtained a judgment for $100,000. Her husband may be remembered as the owner of the only residence which, standing in the "burnt district" of the great Chicago fire, alone escaped destruction.

OUR BRADFORD BUDGET.

Oil is selling at 63 cents.

Applicants for license are on the anxious seat this week.

The production of the Kane field per day is now 6,200 barrels.

Bradford was visited by a snow storm yesterday, which, however, did not do much damage.

The Emery Band gave another of its already popular open air concerts on the public square Monday night.

There are four women at court this week with fatherless babes in their arms, endeavoring to have papas for them picked out by due course of law.

Bradford will not lack for attractions the rest of the week, with a three days' skating race, a circus Friday and Saturday, and decoration day services Saturday.

The clothing merchants no longer adhere to the early closing movement, as one of their number proved a traitor in the ranks and persisted in keeping open as late as he pleased.

The directors of the hospital association have purchased a building, paying $1,150 cash and expect soon to have it in running order. The next thing will be to get the patients to fill it.

Company "C" declined to accept the invitation extended to them to attend the unveiling ceremonies next week at Smethport, but will parade here at the Decoration Day ceremonies next Saturday.

The familiar face of attorney N. B. Smiley will be missed at the court house this week. He is still in a critical condition, but is improving slowly and strong hopes are entertained of his recovery.

The people who have been trying for some time to have the courts declare the Fisher dam a nuisance, suffered a defeat in court to-day in having the case nolle pressed. The will very likely bring the matter before the grand jury again.

The seventy-five hour skating race will commence this evening at Thornton's rink, and will undoubtedly draw large crowds. The best skaters in the country have entered and the race will be an interesting one—provided it is conducted on the square.

Bradford is well represented at the county seat this week, as usual. The special train Monday morning of three coaches on the B., B. & K. road was loaded down with people, and the fine weather tempted fully as many more to enjoy a drive to Smethport.

The scheme to turn the Island into a park for base ball and other athletic sports seems to meet with approval, and its originators will undoubtedly make a success of it. Two thousand dollars have been subscribed, nearly one-half of which is already paid in, and they have options for leases of the grounds for about $250 a year.

The news from the Port Allegany oil field have not as yet been of a very startling nature. A prominent operator, who has been over there twice, and whom the owners of the well tried to "work," says there is a little oil there, but not as much as there was said to be, and thought the region was worth testing anyway. He returned home, however, disgusted with the land owners in the vicinity, who have all got the oil fever bad and want the rest of the earth in exchange for their little farms.

JUPITER.

Bradford, May 27, 1886.

The money least liable of all to take to itself wings is that invested in life insurance. The records of the companies are full of instances in which men at one time very rich have, through ultimate misfortune, lost all save their life insurance, and dying have left only that money to their families. On the walls of a chamber in which Mr. Peter Page, once a millionaire of Chicago, died, were penciled these words, written by himself: "My life insurance policy of $25,000 is everything I leave."

ITEMS FROM KANE.

J. A. Crowley, of Sheffield, was in town over Sunday.

H. O. Blyndiler and J. Collinge visited Bradford last Friday.

Deputy Sheriff Clark was in town one day last week, on legal business.

Col. F. W. Mosse was in Smethport a few days this week, attending court.

J. Campbell has broken ground for his new brick residence on Fraley street.

C. A. Burdick, of Smethport, was seen on our streets Friday and Saturday last.

Jas. McDade will commence laying the foundation Monday for his $8,000 brick residence on Chase street.

The festival held in Hyde's new store room Thursday evening last, for the benefit of the Presbyterian church, was a grand success.

Quite a number of our young men are attending court this week as witnesses on liquor cases that are now pending from Jacobs City and West Kane.

Great preparations are being made for Decoration day. The G. A. R. boys have the matter in their hands, which is a sure guarantee that it will be a success.

R. E. Looker, Geo. Welker, C. H. Kemp and Carson & Long were in Smethport Monday and Tuesday last applying for license for their respective hotels.

Remember, next Wednesday is unveiling day at Smethport, and any one failing to be present on this occasion will miss one of the greatest treats of a lifetime.

We are informed that the Kane *Leader* is to be enlarged to an eight column sheet. "Tom" has an eye to business and knows what the people want, and we wish him all manner of success.

Master Ned Ryan, a son of Thos. Ryan, had the misfortune to break his arm in two places last Saturday in falling from O. D. Coleman's delivery wagon. He was taken home and Drs. Preston and Armstrong summoned who reduced the fracture.

The citizens of Kane, have been fortunate in securing the services of H. S. Cummings, who has served ten years on the police force in Parker City, Clarion Co. as deputy constable. Mr. C. comes well recommended. He was sworn in at Smethport Monday last.

Hurlburt & Hunting's combination is billed to exhibit in Kane on the 31st inst. It is unnecessary to occupy much space in recommending these gentlemen to the public, as their shows in the past are, as they say, a guarantee of the future, or forthcoming shows. They are to be seen to be appreciated.

RAMBLER.

Kane, May 24, 1886.

During the past two years there have been more failures in the business world than at any time since 1879. Not a single commercial or financial interest, except life insurance, has escaped. The present year alone there have been over 120 bank failures, 14 of them being national banks. But not one life insurance company has been suspended, and nearly all of them have increased their business greatly.

NORWICH NOTES.

Cool nights but no frost.

There are 63 scholars and teachers in the Union Sunday School.

A. P. Brewer is repairing and improving his residence at Norwich.

Mrs. Paul Wendel started this morning, for a visit to friends and relatives in New York city.

The family of C. Herzeg, of Smethport, is visiting Mrs. Herzog's parents at Hamlin.

Peter McNeil, of the firm of McNeil & Kurtz, of Buffalo, made N. W. Heinemann a business call last week.

J. Crumbie is rejoicing in the advent of twins, of the mail persuasion, which came to his house on the night of the 21st.

The people here are taking a good deal of interest in the preparations for the decoration services, which are to take place on the 29th inst. and a general turnout is anticipated.

At the invitation of Rev. Gates, Rev. Brooks, of Watkins, N. Y., occupied the pulpit in the Union church last Sunday and preached a very able sermon.

B. W. H.

Norwich, May 25.

If you care enough for the happiness of your children to take them to the circus, you certainly do to see that they are provided for when you become old or pass away. It will cost you but *one cent* to find how you can do this. Write to-day, Chas. B. Hamlin, Smethport, Pa.

LITERARY NOTES.

"Lovers Four and Maidens Five: A Story of the Allegheny Mountains," By Julius Chambers.

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Our Northeastern Outlet.

The long-pending traffic contract between the Pittsburg & Western, the Big Level & Kinzua, and the Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua railroads was formally completed on Tuesday. The contract for constructing the "missing link" between Mt. Jewett and Ormsby's within sixty days has been let to Tennant & Johnson, of Zelienople, Pa. With characteristic energy they have already got their tools to Mt. Jewett and will have a hundred men at work inside of ten days. They mean business and we wish them success.

The track will be constructed wholly of new forty pound steel rails from the Pennsylvania Steel Works, fastened with angle-bars of the regular standard gauge pattern. The rails are expected to arrive in June. The track will be laid with heavy ties and ballasted with stone. A fine trestle bridge will span the Erie railroad near Mt. Jewett and avoid all risk of delays or accidents. In short it will be more substantially constructed than any narrow gauge railroad in Pennsylvania and it expects to do a bigger business.—*Leader.*

Insurance in the New York Life is cheaper in the end than in any other company—life or co-operative.

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Help the Boys Along.

The Smethport Cornet Band have determined to give their friends an opportunity to "trip the light fantastic toe," on the evening of June 2d, at the rink. Black's orchestra of Bradford will furnish music and the W. R. C., of Smethport, the grub, all of which will be first-class in every particular. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend this grand ball. The price of tickets have been placed at the low rate of $1.00 each.

Change in B. B. & K. Time-Table.

The change in the time of trains leaving Smethport on the B. B. & K. R. R. which takes effect on Saturday of this week is as follows: Trains leave Smethport for Bradford and Wellsville at 6:45 a. m. and 3:15 p. m. Additional train for Bradford at 10:15 a. m. Train arriving at Smethport from Bradford at 2:50 p. m. Sunday train from Bradford at 2:50 p. m. Sunday train leaves Smethport 9 a. m., arriving 5:25 p. m.

Cash paid for wool at W. D. Gallup's.

Baptist Church.

The usual services on next Sunday morning and evening.

In the afternoon at 3:30 o'clock the memorial service under the auspices of McKean Post, No. 347, G. A. R. will be held, at which time the Post will be present in full dress uniform. The pastor will deliver the discourse, and appropriate music will be rendered by a male quartette.

Cabbage Plants.

Pat. Rowan has a large assortment of early and late varieties for sale at his truck farm in East Smethport.

MARRIED.

SMITH—McCOY.—At Weston's Mills, N. Y., May 26, by Rev. W. Bradley, Mr. Carle D. Smith and Miss Grace E. McCoy, both of Portville.

MINOR—HARMON.—At the Wright House, Smethport, Pa., May 24th, 1886, by Rev. F. H. Gates, Mr. Charles H. Minor, of Hemlock Lake, Livingston county, N. Y., and Miss Carrie E. Harmon, of Warsaw, Wyoming county, N. Y.

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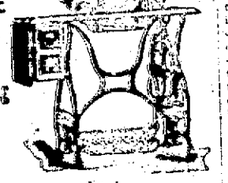

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 15.—The belated work of congress has come to be an established reproach to the party controlling the house of representatives. So far, that body has passed but 175 public measures, although about 2,000 bills private and public, have been presented for its consideration since the session began. The Forty Ninth congress has a tendency to spend its time on perfectly fruitless, useless subjects, a striking exemplification of which I will mention.

The house was discussing the army appropriation bill, and Representative Brewster, of Ohio, moved to strike out the appropriation for the judge advocate general's department. He said the department dwindled more without any knowledge of the law. It was an excrescence on the army, adding to it nothing of grace, nothing of justice, nothing of martial efficiency. This gave a democratic member from Ala., Mr. Wheeler, an opportunity to revive old war memories. He admitted that abuses had existed in the department of the judge advocate general, and as an instance stated that Gen. Holt had been appointed for the purpose of striking down Methodism. As Methodism could not be struck down Porter had been selected for destruction. But now that the democratic party was in power, he said the abuses that had grown up would be remedied.

Representative Hopkins, a republican from Iowa, said it ill became the gentleman from Alabama to assume the role of slanderer of Abraham Lincoln which he did by his reference to General Holt when Lincoln had appointed to office Mr. Wheeler disclaimed any allegation against Mr. Lincoln and said his charges had been against the arch conspirator, Edwin M. Stanton, Lincoln's secretary of war who had sought to break down officers of the army who had not sustained the line of policy he had sought to inaugurate. Here the republican members hissed and Mr. Hopkins sprang to the defense of Stanton.

This arch conspirator, he said, was the man who had brought the conflagration of the dust and who had destroyed the "lost cause." He was the man who had whipped the southern states back into allegiance to the government, and who had made it possible for the gentleman from Alabama to be here to be his slanderer and maligner. "Here does he know," continued Mr. Hopkins, "and yet try to blacken his memory, though you live to-day because that man was willing, among others, that you might live and not have the halter that you had worn around your neck."

The republicans applauded Mr. Hopburn and after this war of words a turbulent scene followed. A division was demanded on a clause of the bill, and Representative Springer, who was in the speaker's chair, named the tellers. Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Hopburn walked to the foot of each aisle to tell to whom they voted. The house divided the tellers passed each other without counting.

Although the democrats under the lash of the administration are falling into line on the appropriation bills, and some of the most important have been passed, there is no sign of the end of the session soon for a year of democratic legislation has developed that the democratic party is not capable of legislating for the country. Its members are [illegible] and with [illegible] majority in the house [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] to [illegible] to